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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

For a General FAST and HUMILIATION.

ANNE R.

WE having a deep Senſe of the Over-ruling Providence of God, by whoſe Infinite Wiſdom all Things are Directed and Ordered; and taking into Our moſt ſerious Conſideration the Juſt and Neceſſary War againſt the French *King, wherein We, with ſeveral other Princes and States of* Europe, *are Engaged, upon the Succeſs whereof the Common Safety and Welfare of Our Kingdoms, and the Liberties of* Europe, *do (under God) wholly depend; Have, out of Our Religious Diſpoſition, Ordained, That a General and Publick Faſt ſhall be Obſerved throughout Our whole Kingdom of* Great Britain, *that ſo both We and Our People may Humble Our Selves before Almighty God, in order to obtain Pardon for Our Sins, and may, in moſt Devout and Solemn manner, ſend up Our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majeſty, for averting thoſe heavy Judgments which Our manifold Sins and Provocations have moſt juſtly deſerved, and Imploring His Bleſſing and Aſſiſtance on the Arms of Us and Our Allies, and Our and Their Forces, both by Sea and Land, and for Reſtoring and Perpetuating Peace, Safety, and Proſperity to Us and Our Kingdoms, and the Nations and States in Alliance with Us. And to the end that ſo Religious a Duty may be Obſerved at one and the ſame time, We do by this Our Royal Proclamation, by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, Publiſh and Declare, and do ſtrictly Charge and Command, That on* Wedneſday *the Fourteenth Day of* January *next, this Faſt ſhall be Religiouſly Kept and Obſerved throughout Our Kingdom of* Great Britain: *And for the more Religious and Orderly Solemnizing the ſame, We have given Directions to Our Arch-Biſhops and Biſhops to Compoſe a Form of Prayer ſuitable to this Occaſion, to be Uſed in all Churches and Chapels, and other Places of Publick Worſhip, within their reſpective Dioceſes; and for that end, to take Care for the timely Diſperſing thereof. And We have Commanded Our Privy-Council in* Scotland *to Iſſue out ſuch Orders as may be neceſſary for the due Obſervation of this Faſt throughout that Part of Our Kingdom of* Great Britain, *in ſuch manner as has been there accuſtomed in like Caſes. And We do ſtrictly Charge and Command, That the ſaid Publick Faſt be Reverently and Decently Obſerved by all Our Loving Subjects, within Our ſaid Kingdom of* Great Britain, *on the ſaid Fourteenth Day of* January *next, as they Tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would avoid his Wrath and Indignation, and upon Pain of ſuch Puniſhment as We may juſtly inflict on all ſuch as Contemn or Neglect the Performance of ſo Religious a Duty.*

Given at Our Court at *Kenſington* the Thirteenth Day of *November*, 1707. In the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

Cologne, Nov. 8. *N. S.* The Pruſſian Troops which are to have their Winter Quarters in this Electorate are expected every Moment. They are part of the Forces which ſerv'd this laſt Campagne in Brabant, and conſiſt chiefly of Horſe. The Chapter has diſpatch'd Commiſſaries to meet 'em on our Frontiers, and to direct their March to the ſeveral Places appointed for their Reception; and Care is taken in the Diſpoſition of their Quarters, that they may lie ready to cover this Town from the French Parties, which may make Incurſions from Luxemburg, and the Parts adjacent. There will be in this Place but one Regiment of Foot, and another of Horſe, it being reſolv'd, that a greater Number of Foreign Troops ſhall not be receiv'd into the City it ſelf. Five Companies of Walef's Dragoons, which lay in Gariſon here, are to march within theſe two Days to join the reſt of the Regiment at Liege. The Biſhop of Munſter is reſolv'd to augment the Number of his Forces that are in the Service of the States General. Letters from Vienna inform us, That the 28th of the laſt Month, being the Anniverſary of the Birth of the Queen Dowager of Spain, was celebrated at the Imperial Court with great Magnificence and Solemnity. The Cardinal of Saxe-Zeits was there on his Return from Presbourg, where he had been inſtall'd Primate of Hungary. Prince Eugene is expected at Court on the 20th of this Month, to aſſiſt at a Council of War. His Imperial Majeſty, at the Inſtance of the King of Sweden, has re-inſtated Count Zobor in his Charge of Chamberlain, and all the Honours and Employments which he enjoy'd before his late Diſgrace. Theſe Letters add, That the Malecontents of Hungary had made an Attempt to ſeize the Caſtle of Beſca, but were repuls'd with conſiderable Loſs. General Staremberg intended to go to Presbourg, and give out ſome neceſſary Orders before he return'd to Vienna. By our laſt Letters from Berlin we are inform'd, That the King of Pruſſia had declar'd himſelf highly obliged to the Queen of Great Britain and the States of Holland, for the good Offices their reſpective Envoys had done him in his Pretenſions on the Sovereignty of Neufchatel; and that his Pruſſian Majeſty expected every Moment to hear that the Tribunal of that Place had paſs'd Sentence in his Favour. The French King's Miniſter having lately preſented a Memorial, in which he had mention'd the King of Sweden in a diſreſpectful manner, we hear the Court of Berlin have tranſmitted a Copy of that Memorial to his Swediſh Majeſty. By Letters from Francfort of the 6th Inſtant we are inform'd, that the Elector of Hanover intended very ſuddenly to paſs by that Place, in his way to Hanover, where his Electoral Highneſs deſigns to reſide part of the Winter. There have paſs'd lately by Francfort ſeveral Boats with Recruits for the Troops of that Prince. The Elector of Mayence was ſtill at Aſchaffenburg. The ſame Letters add, That the French Army, before it repaſs'd the Rhine, had demoliſh'd all the Lines which they had caſt up for the Defence of their Camp between Raſtadt and Kuppenheim.

Falmouth, Nov. 13. On the 11th 8 Dutch Doggers, of and for Zurickzee, from Bourdeaux, ſail'd from hence; and at the ſame time the Neptune Galley, of and for London, from Lisbon, Captain Souten Commander.

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